

## Message Text

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TAGS: SNAR, TH, US

SUBJECT: HELICOPTERS FOR THAI POLICE NARCOTICS  
ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES

REF: A) BANGKOK 21690, B) BANGKOK 21925, C) BANGKOK 24175

1. WHEN CHARGE AND POMIL COUNSELOR CALLED ON FOREIGN  
MINISTER CHATCHAI CHUNHAWAN DECEMBER 29, DEPUTY  
INTERIOR MINISTER PRAKOP PRAYUNPHOKKHARAT WAS ALSO  
PRESENT FOR DISCUSSION OF SUBJECT BEING REPORTED  
SEPTEL. CHARGE PROFITED BY PRAKOP'S PRESENCE TO  
BRING UP SUBJECT OF MISUSE OF HELICOPTERS SUPPLIED  
BY THE U.S. TO THAI POLICE. THIS HAS BEEN RAISED  
WITH BOTH CHATCHAI AND PRAKOP BEFORE.

2. CHARGE NOTED HIGH-LEVEL INTEREST IN UNITED  
STATES GOVERNMENT IN THIS QUESTION AND  
STRONGLY IMPLIED THAT CONTINUED U.S. ASSISTANCE TO  
THAI NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT EFFORTS, INCLUDING DELIVERY  
OF FIVE ADDITIONAL HELICOPTERS, HINGED UPON SATISFACTORY  
OUTCOME. HE SAID THAT FULL AND DETAILED REPORT OF  
MEASURES TAKEN TO INVESTIGATE PAST ABUSES AND PREVENT  
FUTURE ONES WAS ESSENTIAL. HE NOTED THAT POTENTIAL  
CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST IN CASE COULD BE HANDLED  
ONLY IF STRONG MEASURES COULD BE SHOWN TO HAVE BEEN  
TAKEN. BOTH CHATCHAI AND PRAKOP WERE CLEARLY IMPRESSED  
BY GRAVITY OF SITUATION AND INDICATED THEIR INTEREST

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IN EFFECTIVE ACTION.

3. COMMENT: EMBASSY IS ALSO PURSUING THIS MATTER  
AT WORKING LEVEL (MAJOR GENERAL POW SARASIN). THIS  
RENEWED APPROACH AT TOP LEVEL SHOULD BE HELPFUL  
IN STIMULATING MOVEMENT ON THIS MATTER.  
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